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AN ACT

Making continuing appropriations and extensions for fiscal
year 2026, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Continuing Appropria-
3 tions and Extensions Act, 2026”.

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6 **SEC. 3. REFERENCES.**

7 Except as expressly provided otherwise, any reference
8 to “this Act” contained in any division of this Act shall
9 be treated as referring only to the provisions of that divi-
10 sion.

11 **DIVISION A—CONTINUING**
12 **APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2026**

13 The following sums are hereby appropriated, out of
14 any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated,

1 and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts,
2 and funds, for the several departments, agencies, corpora-
3 tions, and other organizational units of Government for
4 fiscal year 2026, and for other purposes, namely:

5 SEC. 101. Such amounts as may be necessary, at a
6 rate for operations as provided in the applicable appro-
7 priations Acts for fiscal year 2025 and under the authority
8 and conditions provided in such Acts, for continuing
9 projects or activities (including the costs of direct loans
10 and loan guarantees) that are not otherwise specifically
11 provided for in this Act, that were conducted in fiscal year
12 2025, and for which appropriations, funds, or other au-
13 thority were made available in the Full-Year Continuing
14 Appropriations Act, 2025 (division A of Public Law 119–
15 4), except sections 1110, 1113, 1114, and 1207; the pro-
16 viso in paragraph (4) of section 1602; and sections 1708
17 and 1808; and except section 11104 shall be applied by
18 substituting “2020, and 2021” for “and 2020”; and ex-
19 cept sections 774 and 778 of division B, section 540 of
20 division C, and sections 110 and 112 of division D of Pub-
21 lic Law 118–42 as continued in effect by section 1101 of
22 division A of Public Law 119–4; and except section
23 7069(b) of division F of Public Law 118–47, as continued
24 in effect by section 1101 of division A of Public Law 119–
25 4.

1 SEC. 102. (a) No appropriation or funds made avail-
2 able or authority granted pursuant to section 101 for the
3 Department of Defense shall be used for:

4 (1) the new production of items not funded for
5 production in fiscal year 2025 or prior years;

6 (2) the increase in production rates above those
7 sustained with fiscal year 2025 funds; or

8 (3) the initiation, resumption, or continuation
9 of any project, activity, operation, or organization
10 (defined as any project, subproject, activity, budget
11 activity, program element, and subprogram within a
12 program element, and for any investment items de-
13 fined as a P–1 line item in a budget activity within
14 an appropriation account and an R–1 line item that
15 includes a program element and subprogram element
16 within an appropriation account) for which appro-
17 priations, funds, or other authority were not avail-
18 able during fiscal year 2025.

19 (b) No appropriation or funds made available or au-
20 thority granted pursuant to section 101 for the Depart-
21 ment of Defense shall be used to initiate multi-year pro-
22 curements utilizing advance procurement funding for eco-
23 nomic order quantity procurement unless specifically ap-
24 propriated later.

1 SEC. 103. Appropriations made by section 101 shall
2 be available to the extent and in the manner that would
3 be provided by the pertinent appropriations Act.

4 SEC. 104. Except as otherwise provided in section
5 102, no appropriation or funds made available or author-
6 ity granted pursuant to section 101 shall be used to ini-
7 tiate or resume any project or activity for which appro-
8 priations, funds, or other authority were not available dur-
9 ing fiscal year 2025.

10 SEC. 105. Appropriations made and authority grant-
11 ed pursuant to this Act shall cover all obligations or ex-
12 penditures incurred for any project or activity during the
13 period for which funds or authority for such project or
14 activity are available under this Act.

15 SEC. 106. Unless otherwise provided for in this Act
16 or in the applicable appropriations Act for fiscal year
17 2026, appropriations and funds made available and au-
18 thority granted pursuant to this Act shall be available
19 until whichever of the following first occurs:

20 (1) The enactment into law of an appropriation
21 for any project or activity provided for in this Act.

22 (2) The enactment into law of the applicable
23 appropriations Act for fiscal year 2026 without any
24 provision for such project or activity.

25 (3) November 21, 2025.

1 SEC. 107. Expenditures made pursuant to this Act
2 shall be charged to the applicable appropriation, fund, or
3 authorization whenever a bill in which such applicable ap-
4 propriation, fund, or authorization is contained is enacted
5 into law.

6 SEC. 108. Appropriations made and funds made
7 available by or authority granted pursuant to this Act may
8 be used without regard to the time limitations for submis-
9 sion and approval of apportionments set forth in section
10 1513 of title 31, United States Code, but nothing in this
11 Act may be construed to waive any other provision of law
12 governing the apportionment of funds.

13 SEC. 109. Notwithstanding any other provision of
14 this Act, except section 106, for those programs that
15 would otherwise have high initial rates of operation or
16 complete distribution of appropriations at the beginning
17 of fiscal year 2026 because of distributions of funding to
18 States, foreign countries, grantees, or others, such high
19 initial rates of operation or complete distribution shall not
20 be made, and no grants shall be awarded for such pro-
21 grams funded by this Act that would impinge on final
22 funding prerogatives.

23 SEC. 110. This Act shall be implemented so that only
24 the most limited funding action of that permitted in the

1 Act shall be taken in order to provide for continuation of
2 projects and activities.

3 SEC. 111. (a) For entitlements and other mandatory
4 payments whose budget authority was provided in an ap-
5 propriations Act specified in section 101, for expenses au-
6 thorized under section 324 of title 38, United States Code,
7 and for activities under the Food and Nutrition Act of
8 2008, activities shall be continued at the rate to maintain
9 program levels under current law, under the authority and
10 conditions provided in the applicable appropriations Act,
11 to be continued through the date specified in section
12 106(3) of this Act.

13 (b) Notwithstanding section 106, obligations for man-
14 datory payments due on or about the first day of any
15 month that begins after October 2025 but not later than
16 30 days after the date specified in section 106(3) may con-
17 tinue to be made, and funds shall be available for such
18 payments.

19 SEC. 112. Amounts made available under section 101
20 for civilian personnel compensation and benefits in each
21 department and agency may be apportioned up to the rate
22 for operations necessary to avoid furloughs within such de-
23 partment or agency, consistent with the applicable appro-
24 priations Act for fiscal year 2025, except that such author-
25 ity provided under this section shall not be used until after

1 the department or agency has taken all necessary actions
2 to reduce or defer non-personnel-related administrative ex-
3 penses.

4 SEC. 113. Funds appropriated by this Act may be
5 obligated and expended notwithstanding section 10 of
6 Public Law 91–672 (22 U.S.C. 2412), section 15 of the
7 State Department Basic Authorities Act of 1956 (22
8 U.S.C. 2680), section 313 of the Foreign Relations Au-
9 thorization Act, Fiscal Years 1994 and 1995 (22 U.S.C.
10 6212), and section 504(a)(1) of the National Security Act
11 of 1947 (50 U.S.C. 3094(a)(1)).

12 SEC. 114. (a)(1) For each amount incorporated by
13 reference in this Act that was previously designated by the
14 Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to sec-
15 tion 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emer-
16 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985, each provision of law
17 designating each such amount as an emergency require-
18 ment pursuant to such section shall not apply.

19 (2) Each amount incorporated by reference in
20 this Act that was designated by the Congress as an
21 emergency requirement pursuant to section
22 251(b)(2)(A)(i) of the Balanced Budget and Emer-
23 gency Deficit Control Act of 1985 in the following
24 provisions of law are designated by the Congress as
25 an emergency requirement pursuant to section

1 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res. 14 (117th Congress), the
2 concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year
3 2022, and to legislation establishing fiscal year 2026
4 budget enforcement in the House of Representatives:
5 section 11206(4) of division A of Public Law 119–
6 4 and 7068(b) of division F of Public Law 118–47,
7 as continued in effect by section 1101 of division A
8 of Public Law 119–4.

9 (b) Each amount incorporated by reference in this
10 Act that was previously designated by the Congress as
11 being for disaster relief pursuant to section 251(b)(2)(D)
12 of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control
13 Act of 1985 is designated by the Congress as being for
14 disaster relief pursuant to a concurrent resolution on the
15 budget.

16 (c) Each amount incorporated by reference in this
17 Act that was previously designated in division B of Public
18 Law 117–159, division J of Public Law 117–58, or in sec-
19 tion 443(b) of division G of Public Law 117–328 by the
20 Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a con-
21 current resolution on the budget shall continue to be treat-
22 ed as an amount specified in section 103(b) of division
23 A of Public Law 118–5.

1 SEC. 115. (a) Rescissions or cancellations of discre-
2 tionary budget authority that continue pursuant to section
3 101 in Treasury Appropriations Fund Symbols (TAFS)—

4 (1) to which other appropriations are not pro-
5 vided by this Act, but for which there is a current
6 applicable TAFS that does receive an appropriation
7 in this Act; or

8 (2) which are no-year TAFS and receive other
9 appropriations in this Act,

10 may be continued instead by reducing the rate for oper-
11 ations otherwise provided by section 101 for such current
12 applicable TAFS, as long as doing so does not impinge
13 on the final funding prerogatives of the Congress.

14 (b) Rescissions or cancellations described in sub-
15 section (a) shall continue in an amount equal to the lesser
16 of—

17 (1) the amount specified for rescission or can-
18 cellation in the applicable appropriations Act ref-
19 erenced in section 101 of this Act; or

20 (2) the amount of balances available, as of Oc-
21 tober 1, 2025, from the funds specified for rescission
22 or cancellation in the applicable appropriations Act
23 referenced in section 101 of this Act.

24 (c) No later than November 7, 2025, the Director of
25 the Office of Management and Budget shall provide to the

1 Committees on Appropriations of the House of Represent-
2 atives and the Senate a comprehensive list of the rescis-
3 sions or cancellations that will continue pursuant to sec-
4 tion 101: *Provided*, That the information in such com-
5 prehensive list shall be periodically updated to reflect any
6 subsequent changes in the amount of balances available,
7 as of October 1, 2025, from the funds specified for rescis-
8 sion or cancellation in the applicable appropriations Act
9 referenced in section 101, and such updates shall be trans-
10 mitted to the Committees on Appropriations of the House
11 of Representatives and the Senate upon request.

12 SEC. 116. Amounts made available by section 101 for
13 “Domestic Food Programs—Food and Nutrition Serv-
14 ice—Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women,
15 Infants, and Children (WIC)” may be apportioned at the
16 rate for operations necessary to maintain participation.

17 SEC. 117. Section 260 of the Agricultural Marketing
18 Act of 1946 (7 U.S.C. 1636i) and section 942 of the Live-
19 stock Mandatory Reporting Act of 1999 (7 U.S.C. 1635
20 note; Public Law 106–78) shall be applied by substituting
21 the date specified in section 106 of this Act for “Sep-
22 tember 30, 2025”.

23 SEC. 118. Section 8302(b) of the Agricultural Act of
24 2014 (16 U.S.C. 3851a(b)) shall be applied by sub-

stituting the date specified in section 106 of this Act for
“October 1, 2023”.

SEC. 119. (a) Amounts made available by section 101
for “Department of Justice—United States Marshals
Service—Salaries and Expenses” may be apportioned up
to the rate for operations necessary to maintain program
operations.

(b) In addition to amounts provided by section 101,
for “Department of Justice—United States Marshals
Service—Salaries and Expenses”, there is appropriated
\$30,000,000, for an additional amount for fiscal year
2026, to remain available until September 30, 2027, to
carry out protective operations.

SEC. 120. (a) For the closeout of all Space Shuttle
contracts and associated programs, amounts that have ex-
pired but have not been cancelled in the Exploration,
Space Operations, Human Space Flight, Space Flight Ca-
pabilities, and Exploration Capabilities appropriations ac-
counts shall remain available through fiscal year 2030 for
the liquidation of valid obligations incurred during the pe-
riod of fiscal year 2001 through fiscal year 2013.

(b)(1) Subject to paragraph (2), this section shall be-
come effective immediately upon enactment of this Act.

1 (2) If this Act is enacted after September 30,
2 2025, this section shall be applied as if it were in
3 effect on September 30, 2025.

4 SEC. 121. Section 3014(a) of title 18, United States
5 Code, shall be applied by substituting the date specified
6 in section 106 of this Act for “September 30, 2025”.

7 SEC. 122. Notwithstanding section 101, the first pro-
8 viso in each of sections 8092 and 8096 of title VIII of
9 division A of Public Law 118–47 shall be applied by sub-
10 stituting “advances” for “reimbursements”.

11 SEC. 123. Notwithstanding sections 102 and 104,
12 amounts made available by section 101 to the Department
13 of Defense for “Research, Development, Test and Evalua-
14 tion, Air Force” shall be apportioned up to the rate for
15 operations necessary for the E–7 Wedgetail program, in
16 an amount not to exceed \$199,676,000, only for the pur-
17 pose of continued rapid prototyping activities to maintain
18 program schedule and transition to production for the E–
19 7 Wedgetail program.

20 SEC. 124. Of the unobligated balance of funds avail-
21 able to the Department of Defense for the E–7 program
22 under the heading “Aircraft Procurement, Air Force” in
23 Public Law 119–4, \$200,000,000 is hereby transferred to
24 and merged with amounts available for the E–7 program
25 under the heading “Research, Development, Test and

1 Evaluation, Air Force” only for the purpose of continued
2 rapid prototyping activities to maintain program schedule
3 and transition to production for the E–7 Wedgetail pro-
4 gram.

5 SEC. 125. Section 717(a) of the Defense Production
6 Act of 1950 (50 U.S.C. 4564(a)) shall be applied by sub-
7 stituting the date specified in section 106 of this Act for
8 “September 30, 2025”.

9 SEC. 126. Notwithstanding sections 102 and 104,
10 amounts made available by section 101 of this Act to the
11 Department of Defense for “Shipbuilding and Conversion,
12 Navy” may be apportioned up to the rate for operations
13 necessary to fund completion of prior year shipbuilding
14 programs for the fiscal year 2016 and fiscal year 2018
15 Virginia Class Submarine Programs, in an amount not to
16 exceed \$154,000,000.

17 SEC. 127. During the period covered by this Act, sec-
18 tion 103(f)(4)(A) of Public Law 108–361 (the Calfed Bay-
19 Delta Authorization Act) shall be applied by substituting
20 “\$32,600,000” for “\$30,000,000”.

21 SEC. 128. (a) Amounts made available by section 101
22 in the first proviso under the heading “Department of En-
23 ergy—Atomic Energy Defense Activities—National Nu-
24 clear Security Administration—Weapons Activities” may
25 be apportioned up to the rate for operations necessary to

1 maintain current operations for the safe, secure transport
2 of nuclear weapons.

3 (b) The Director of the Office of Management and
4 Budget and the Secretary of Energy shall notify the Com-
5 mittees on Appropriations of the House of Representatives
6 and the Senate not later than 3 days after each use of
7 the authority provided in subsection (a).

8 SEC. 129. Notwithstanding section 101, the matter
9 preceding the first proviso under the heading “Office of
10 Personnel Management—Salaries and Expenses” in title
11 V of division B of Public Law 118–47 shall be applied
12 by substituting “\$197,446,000” for “\$219,076,000”, and
13 the second proviso under such heading in such title of such
14 division of such Act shall be applied by substituting
15 “\$214,605,000” for “\$192,975,000”.

16 SEC. 130. Notwithstanding any other provision of
17 this Act, except section 106, the District of Columbia may
18 expend local funds made available under the heading “Dis-
19 trict of Columbia—District of Columbia Funds” for such
20 programs and activities under the District of Columbia
21 Appropriations Act, 2024 (title IV of division B of Public
22 Law 118–47) at the rate set forth in the Fiscal Year 2026
23 Local Budget Act of 2025 (D.C. Bill No. 26–260) as
24 modified as of the date of enactment of this Act.

1 SEC. 131. Notwithstanding section 101, paragraph
2 (1) under the heading “Department of the Treasury—De-
3 partmental Offices—Salaries and Expenses” in title I of
4 division B of Public Law 118–47 shall be applied by sub-
5 stituting “\$1,350,000” for “\$350,000”: *Provided*, That
6 such amounts may be obligated in the account and budget
7 structure set forth in the fiscal year 2026 President’s
8 Budget, submitted pursuant to section 1105(a) of title 31,
9 United States Code, and accompanying justification mate-
10 rials.

11 SEC. 132. Amounts made available by section 101 for
12 “Small Business Administration—Business Loans Pro-
13 gram Account” may be apportioned up to the rate for op-
14 erations necessary to accommodate increased demand for
15 commitments for general business loans authorized under
16 paragraphs (1) through (35) of section 7(a) of the Small
17 Business Act (15 U.S.C. 636(a)), for commitments to
18 guarantee trust certificates authorized by section 5(g) of
19 the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 634(g)), for commit-
20 ments to guarantee loans under section 503 of the Small
21 Business Investment Act of 1958 (15 U.S.C. 697), and
22 for commitments to guarantee debentures under section
23 303(b) of the Small Business Investment Act of 1958 (15
24 U.S.C. 683(b)).

1 SEC. 133. Notwithstanding section 101, amounts are
2 provided for “Department of the Treasury—Office of Ter-
3 rorism and Financial Intelligence—Salaries and Ex-
4 penses” at a rate for operations of \$237,662,000.

5 SEC. 134. Notwithstanding section 101, section 1605
6 of Public Law 119–4 shall be applied by substituting
7 “through the end of the last applicable pay period that
8 commences on or before the date specified in section
9 106(3) of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2026” for
10 “through the date specified in section 1106 of this Act”.

11 SEC. 135. Section 1(b) of Public Law 117–25 (135
12 Stat. 297; 136 Stat. 2133; 136 Stat. 5984; 138 Stat.
13 1771; 139 Stat. 46) shall be applied in each of paragraphs
14 (3) and (4) by substituting the date specified in section
15 106 of this Act for “September 30, 2025”.

16 SEC. 136. In addition to amounts otherwise provided
17 by section 101 for “The Judiciary—Supreme Court of the
18 United States—Salaries and Expenses”, there is appro-
19 priated \$28,000,000, for an additional amount for fiscal
20 year 2026, to remain available until expended, for the pro-
21 tection of the Supreme Court Justices, including the pur-
22 chase and hire of passenger motor vehicles as authorized
23 by 31 U.S.C. 1343 and 1344, to be expended as the Chief
24 Justice may approve.

1 SEC. 137. Section 210G(i) of the Homeland Security
2 Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 124n(i)) shall be applied by sub-
3 stituting the date specified in section 106 of this Act for
4 “September 30, 2025”.

5 SEC. 138. Section 225(e) of division A of Public Law
6 116–6 (49 U.S.C. 44901 note) shall be applied by sub-
7 stituting “fiscal year 2019 through the date specified in
8 section 106 of the Continuing Appropriations Act, 2026”
9 for “fiscal years 2019 through 2025”.

10 SEC. 139. Amounts made available by section 101 to
11 the Department of Homeland Security under the heading
12 “Federal Emergency Management Agency—Disaster Re-
13 lief Fund” may be apportioned up to the rate for oper-
14 ations necessary to carry out response and recovery activi-
15 ties under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and
16 Emergency Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.).

17 SEC. 140. Section 227(a) of the Federal
18 Cybersecurity Enhancement Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C.
19 1525(a)) shall be applied by substituting the date specified
20 in section 106 of this Act for “September 30, 2025”.

21 SEC. 141. Section 111(a) of the Cybersecurity Infor-
22 mation Sharing Act of 2015 (6 U.S.C. 1510(a)) shall be
23 applied by substituting the date specified in section 106
24 of this Act for “September 30, 2025”.

1 SEC. 142. Section 2220A(s)(1) of the Homeland Se-
2 curity Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 665g(s)(1)) shall be applied
3 by substituting the date specified in section 106 of this
4 Act for “September 30, 2025”.

5 SEC. 143. During the period covered by this Act, sec-
6 tion 3(b)(2)(C) of the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Res-
7 toration Act (16 U.S.C. 669b(b)(2)(C)) shall be applied
8 by substituting “2027” for “2026”.

9 SEC. 144. During the period covered by this Act, sec-
10 tion 1701 of title VII of division B of Public Law 117–
11 43, as amended, shall be applied by substituting “calendar
12 years 2021 through 2026” for “2021 or 2022 or 2023
13 or 2024” each place it appears.

14 SEC. 145. Amounts made available by section 101 for
15 “Department of the Interior—Department-Wide Pro-
16 grams—Wildland Fire Management” and “Department of
17 Agriculture—Forest Service—Wildland Fire Manage-
18 ment” may be apportioned up to the rate for operations
19 necessary for wildfire suppression activities.

20 SEC. 146. (a) In addition to amounts otherwise pro-
21 vided by section 101, amounts are provided for “Depart-
22 ment of Health and Human Services—Indian Health
23 Service—Indian Health Services” at a rate for operations
24 of \$72,265,000, for an additional amount for costs of
25 staffing and operating facilities that were opened, ren-

1 ovated, or expanded in fiscal years 2025 and 2026, and
2 such amounts may be apportioned up to the rate for oper-
3 ations necessary to staff and operate such facilities.

4 (b) In addition to amounts otherwise provided by sec-
5 tion 101, amounts are provided for “Department of
6 Health and Human Services—Indian Health Service—In-
7 dian Health Facilities” at a rate for operations of
8 \$8,050,000, for an additional amount for costs of staffing
9 and operating facilities that were opened, renovated, or ex-
10 panded in fiscal years 2025 and 2026, and such amounts
11 may be apportioned up to the rate for operations necessary
12 to staff and operate such facilities.

13 SEC. 147. Of the amounts made available in the third
14 paragraph under the heading “Environmental Protection
15 Agency—State and Tribal Assistance Grants” in the Dis-
16 aster Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2023 (divi-
17 sion N of Public Law 117–328), up to \$54,000,000 shall
18 be available for technical assistance and grants under sec-
19 tion 1442(b) of the Safe Drinking Water Act (42 U.S.C.
20 300j–1(b)) in areas where the President declared an emer-
21 gency in August of fiscal year 2022 pursuant to the Rob-
22 ert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance
23 Act (42 U.S.C. 5121 et seq.): *Provided*, That amounts
24 repurposed pursuant to this section that were previously
25 designated by the Congress as being for an emergency re-

1 quirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res.
2 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the
3 budget for fiscal year 2022, and section 1(e) of H. Res.
4 1151 (117th Congress), as engrossed in the House of Rep-
5 resentatives on June 8, 2022, are designated as being for
6 an emergency requirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1)
7 of S. Con. Res 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent reso-
8 lution on the budget for fiscal year 2022, and to legislation
9 establishing fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the
10 House of Representatives.

11 SEC. 148. Notwithstanding section 101, the matter
12 under the heading “Department of Health and Human
13 Services—Administration for Children and Families—
14 Children and Families Services Programs” in title II of
15 division D of Public Law 118–47 shall be applied by add-
16 ing the following after the second proviso: “*Provided fur-*
17 *ther*, That for purposes of section 640(a)(2)(B)(v) of such
18 Act, the base grant for each of the Federated States of
19 Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands shall
20 be \$8,000,000, and shall be considered equal to the
21 amount provided for base grants for such jurisdictions
22 under such Act for the prior fiscal year:”.

23 SEC. 149. Notwithstanding any other provision of
24 this Act, there is appropriated—

1 (1) For payment to Ashley Paige Turner, heir
2 of Sylvester Turner, late a Representative from the
3 State of Texas, \$174,000.

4 (2) For payment to Ramona Grijalva, widow of
5 Raúl M. Grijalva, late a Representative from the
6 State of Arizona, \$174,000.

7 (3) For payment to Catherine M. Smith, widow
8 of Gerald E. Connolly, late a Representative from
9 the Commonwealth of Virginia, \$174,000.

10 SEC. 150. Notwithstanding any other provision of
11 law, no adjustment shall be made under section 601(a)
12 of the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946 (2 U.S.C.
13 4501) (relating to cost of living adjustments for Members
14 of Congress) during the period covered by this Act.

15 SEC. 151. In addition to amounts otherwise provided
16 by section 101, for “Capitol Police—United States Capitol
17 Police Mutual Aid Reimbursements”, there is appro-
18 priated \$30,000,000, for an additional amount for fiscal
19 year 2026, to remain available until expended, for reim-
20 bursements for mutual aid and related training provided
21 under the agreements described in section 7302 of Public
22 Law 108–458: *Provided*, That obligation of the funds made
23 available in this section in this Act shall be subject to noti-
24 fication to the Chairmen and Ranking Members of the
25 Committees on Appropriations of both Houses of Con-

1 gress, the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration,
2 and the Committee on House Administration of the
3 amount and purpose of the expense within 15 days of obli-
4 gation.

5 SEC. 152. Notwithstanding section 101, the matter
6 under the heading “Native American Veteran Housing
7 Loan Program Account” in title II of division A of Public
8 Law 118–42 shall be applied by adding the following new
9 paragraph: In addition, for the cost of direct loans,
10 \$6,865,235, as authorized by subchapter V of chapter 37
11 of title 38, United States Code: *Provided*, That such costs,
12 including the cost of modifying such loans, shall be as de-
13 fined in section 502 of the Congressional Budget Act of
14 1974: *Provided further*, That funds made available under
15 this heading are available to subsidize gross obligations
16 for the principal amount of direct loans not to exceed
17 \$75,000,000.”.

18 SEC. 153. Section 1424(a) of the Better Utilization
19 of Investments Leading to Development Act of 2018 (22
20 U.S.C. 9624(a)) shall be applied by substituting the date
21 specified in section 106 of this Act for “the date that is
22 7 years after the date of the enactment of this Act”.

23 SEC. 154. Notwithstanding sections 101 and 106,
24 and sections 1101, 1106, and 11201 of Public Law 119–
25 4, the fifth and sixth provisos under the heading “Millen-

1 nium Challenge Corporation” in title III of division F of
2 Public Law 118–47 shall be amended by substituting “De-
3 cember 31, 2026” for “December 31, 2024” each place
4 it appears.

5 SEC. 155. Notwithstanding section 106, during fiscal
6 year 2026, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Develop-
7 ment may use the unobligated balances of amounts made
8 available in prior fiscal years in paragraphs (2), (3), and
9 (8) under the heading “Public and Indian Housing—Ten-
10 ant-Based Rental Assistance” to support additional alloca-
11 tions under subparagraph (D) of paragraph (1) and sub-
12 paragraph (B) of paragraph (4) of such heading to pre-
13 vent the termination of rental assistance for families as
14 the result of insufficient funding in the calendar year 2025
15 funding cycle: *Provided*, That amounts repurposed pursu-
16 ant to this section that were previously designated by the
17 Congress as an emergency requirement pursuant to a con-
18 current resolution on the budget or the Balanced Budget
19 and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 are des-
20 ignated by the Congress as being for an emergency re-
21 quirement pursuant to section 4001(a)(1) of S. Con. Res.
22 14 (117th Congress), the concurrent resolution on the
23 budget for fiscal year 2022, and to legislation establishing
24 fiscal year 2026 budget enforcement in the House of Rep-
25 resentatives.

1 SEC. 156. Amounts made available by section 101 for
2 “Department of Transportation—Office of the Sec-
3 retary—Payments to Air Carriers” may be apportioned up
4 to the rate for operations necessary to maintain Essential
5 Air Service program operations.

6 SEC. 157. Section 4144(d) of the Motor Carrier Safe-
7 ty Reauthorization Act of 2005 (49 U.S.C. 31100 note)
8 shall be applied by substituting the date specified in sec-
9 tion 106 of this Act for “September 30, 2025”.

10 This division may be cited as the “Continuing Appro-
11 priations Act, 2026”.

12 **DIVISION B—MISCELLANEOUS** 13 **EXTENSIONS**

14 **SEC. 101. UNITED STATES GRAIN STANDARDS.**

15 The authorities (including any limitations on the au-
16 thorities) provided by each provision of the United States
17 Grain Standards Act (Public Law 90–487; 7 U.S.C. 74
18 et seq.) and each provision of law amended by that Act,
19 as in effect on September 30, 2025, shall continue, and
20 the authorities (and any such limitations) shall be carried
21 out, until the later of—

22 (1) November 21, 2025; and

23 (2) the date specified in the provision of that
24 Act or the provision of law amended by that Act.

**DIVISION C—HEALTH
EXTENDERS
TITLE I—PUBLIC HEALTH
EXTENDERS**

**SEC. 101. EXTENSION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS,
NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS, AND
TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS THAT OPERATE
GME PROGRAMS.**

(a) EXTENSION FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS.—Section 10503(b)(1) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 254b–2(b)(1)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (I), by striking “and” at the end; and

(2) by adding at the end the following:

“(K) \$606,904,110 for the period beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on November 21, 2025; and”.

(b) EXTENSION FOR THE NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS.—Section 10503(b)(2) of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (42 U.S.C. 254b–2(b)(2)) is amended—

(1) in subparagraph (J), by striking “and” at the end;

1 (2) in subparagraph (K), by striking the period
2 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

3 (3) by adding at the end the following:

4 “(L) \$49,150,685 for the period beginning
5 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
6 21, 2025.”.

7 (c) TEACHING HEALTH CENTERS THAT OPERATE
8 GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS.—Section
9 340H(g)(1) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
10 256h(g)(1)) is amended—

11 (1) in subparagraph (E), by striking “and” at
12 the end;

13 (2) in subparagraph (F), by striking the period
14 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

15 (3) by adding at the end the following:

16 “(G) \$24,931,507 for the period beginning
17 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
18 21, 2025.”.

19 (d) APPLICATION OF PROVISIONS.—Amounts appro-
20 priated pursuant to the amendments made by this section
21 shall be subject to the requirements contained in Public
22 Law 117–328 for funds for programs authorized under
23 sections 330 through 340 of the Public Health Service Act
24 (42 U.S.C. 254b et seq.).

1 (e) CONFORMING AMENDMENT.—Section 3014(h)(4)
 2 of title 18, United States Code, is amended by striking
 3 “and section 2101(d) of division B of the Full-Year Con-
 4 tinuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025” and in-
 5 serting “section 2101(d) of division B of the Full-Year
 6 Continuing Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2025, and
 7 section 101(d) of title I of division C of the Continuing
 8 Appropriations and Extensions Act, 2026”.

9 **SEC. 102. EXTENSION OF SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAMS.**

10 (a) EXTENSION OF SPECIAL DIABETES PROGRAMS
 11 FOR TYPE I DIABETES.—Section 330B(b)(2) of the Pub-
 12 lic Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c–2(b)(2)) is amend-
 13 ed—

14 (1) in subparagraph (F), by striking “and” at
 15 the end;

16 (2) in subparagraph (G), by striking the period
 17 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

18 (3) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(H) \$22,652,055 for the period beginning
 20 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
 21 21, 2025, to remain available until expended.”.

22 (b) EXTENDING FUNDING FOR SPECIAL DIABETES
 23 PROGRAMS FOR INDIANS.—Section 330C(c)(2) of the
 24 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 254c–3(c)(2)) is
 25 amended—

1 (1) in subparagraph (F), by striking “and” at
2 the end;

3 (2) in subparagraph (G), by striking the period
4 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

5 (3) by adding at the end the following:

6 “(H) \$22,652,055 for the period beginning
7 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
8 21, 2025, to remain available until expended.”.

9 **SEC. 103. NATIONAL HEALTH SECURITY EXTENSIONS.**

10 (a) Section 319(e)(8) of the Public Health Service
11 Act (42 U.S.C. 247d(e)(8)) is amended by striking “Sep-
12 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

13 (b) Section 319L(e)(1)(D) of the Public Health Serv-
14 ice Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–7e(e)(1)(D)) is amended by strik-
15 ing “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
16 2025”.

17 (c) Section 319L–1(b) of the Public Health Service
18 Act (42 U.S.C. 247d–7f(b)) is amended by striking “Sep-
19 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

20 (d)(1) Section 2811A(g) of the Public Health Service
21 Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–10b(g)) is amended by striking
22 “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
23 2025”.

24 (2) Section 2811B(g)(1) of the Public Health Service
25 Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–10c(g)(1)) is amended by striking

1 “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
2 2025”.

3 (3) Section 2811C(g)(1) of the Public Health Service
4 Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–10d(g)(1)) is amended by striking
5 “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
6 2025”.

7 (e) Section 2812(c)(4)(B) of the Public Health Serv-
8 ice Act (42 U.S.C. 300hh–11(c)(4)(B)) is amended by
9 striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November
10 21, 2025”.

11 **TITLE II—MEDICARE**

12 **SEC. 201. EXTENSION OF INCREASED INPATIENT HOSPITAL** 13 **PAYMENT ADJUSTMENT FOR CERTAIN LOW-** 14 **VOLUME HOSPITALS.**

15 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1886(d)(12) of the Social
16 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(12)) is amended—

17 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “in fiscal
18 year 2026” and inserting “during the portion of fis-
19 cal year 2026 beginning on November 22, 2025, and
20 ending on September 30, 2026, and in fiscal year
21 2027”;

22 (2) in subparagraph (C)(i)—

23 (A) in the matter preceding subclause

24 (I)—

1 (i) by inserting “or portion of a fiscal
2 year” after “for a fiscal year”; and

3 (ii) by inserting “and the portion of
4 fiscal year 2026 beginning on October 1,
5 2025, and ending on November 21, 2025”
6 after “through 2025”;

7 (B) in subclause (III), by inserting “and
8 the portion of fiscal year 2026 beginning on Oc-
9 tober 1, 2025, and ending on November 21,
10 2025” after “through 2025”; and

11 (C) in subclause (IV), by striking “fiscal
12 year 2026” and inserting “the portion of fiscal
13 year 2026 beginning on November 22, 2025,
14 and ending on September 30, 2026, and fiscal
15 year 2027”; and

16 (3) in subparagraph (D)—

17 (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by
18 inserting “or during the portion of fiscal year
19 2026 beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending
20 on November 21, 2025” after “through 2025”;
21 and

22 (B) in clause (ii), by inserting “and the
23 portion of fiscal year 2026 beginning on Octo-
24 ber 1, 2025, and ending on November 21,
25 2025” after “through 2025”.

1 (b) IMPLEMENTATION.—Notwithstanding any other
 2 provision of law, the Secretary of Health and Human
 3 Services may implement the amendments made by this
 4 section by program instruction or otherwise.

5 **SEC. 202. EXTENSION OF THE MEDICARE-DEPENDENT HOS-**
 6 **PITAL (MDH) PROGRAM.**

7 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1886(d)(5)(G) of the So-
 8 cial Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)(5)(G)) is amend-
 9 ed—

10 (1) in clause (i), by striking “October 1, 2025”
 11 and inserting “November 22, 2025”; and

12 (2) in clause (ii)(II), by striking “October 1,
 13 2025” and inserting “November 22, 2025”.

14 (b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS.—

15 (1) IN GENERAL.—Section 1886(b)(3)(D) of
 16 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 17 1395ww(b)(3)(D)) is amended—

18 (A) in the matter preceding clause (i), by
 19 striking “October 1, 2025” and inserting “No-
 20 vember 22, 2025”; and

21 (B) in clause (iv), by inserting “and the
 22 portion of fiscal year 2026 beginning on Octo-
 23 ber 1, 2025, and ending on November 21,
 24 2025” after “through fiscal year 2025”.

1 (2) PERMITTING HOSPITALS TO DECLINE RE-
2 CLASSIFICATION.—Section 13501(e)(2) of the Omni-
3 bus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 (42 U.S.C.
4 1395ww note) is amended by inserting “, or the por-
5 tion of fiscal year 2026 beginning on October 1,
6 2025, and ending on November 21, 2025” after
7 “through fiscal year 2025”.

8 **SEC. 203. EXTENSION OF ADD-ON PAYMENTS FOR AMBU-**
9 **LANCE SERVICES.**

10 Section 1834(l) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
11 1395m(l)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (12)(A), by striking “October
13 1, 2025” and inserting “November 22, 2025”; and

14 (2) in paragraph (13), by striking “October 1,
15 2025” each place it appears and inserting “Novem-
16 ber 22, 2025” in each such place.

17 **SEC. 204. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR QUALITY MEASURE**
18 **ENDORSEMENT, INPUT, AND SELECTION.**

19 Section 1890(d)(2) of the Social Security Act (42
20 U.S.C. 1395aaa(d)(2)) is amended—

21 (1) in the first sentence, by striking “Sep-
22 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
23 2025”; and

1 (2) in the third sentence, by striking “Sep-
2 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
3 2025”.

4 **SEC. 205. EXTENSION OF FUNDING OUTREACH AND ASSIST-**
5 **ANCE FOR LOW-INCOME PROGRAMS.**

6 (a) STATE HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE PRO-
7 GRAMS.—Subsection (a)(1)(B)(xiv) of section 119 of the
8 Medicare Improvements for Patients and Providers Act of
9 2008 (42 U.S.C. 1395b–3 note) is amended by striking
10 “September 30, 2025, \$30,000,000” and inserting “No-
11 vember 21, 2025, \$32,136,986”.

12 (b) AREA AGENCIES ON AGING.—Subsection
13 (b)(1)(B)(xiv) of such section 119 is amended by striking
14 “September 30, 2025, \$30,000,000” and inserting “No-
15 vember 21, 2025, \$32,136,986”.

16 (c) AGING AND DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTERS.—
17 Subsection (c)(1)(B)(xiv) of such section 119 is amended
18 by striking “September 30, 2025, \$10,000,000” and in-
19 serting “November 21, 2025, \$10,712,329”.

20 (d) COORDINATION OF EFFORTS TO INFORM OLDER
21 AMERICANS ABOUT BENEFITS AVAILABLE UNDER FED-
22 ERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS.—Subsection (d)(2)(xiv) of
23 such section 119 is amended by striking “September 30,
24 2025, \$30,000,000” and inserting “November 21, 2025,
25 \$32,136,986”.

1 **SEC. 206. EXTENSION OF THE WORK GEOGRAPHIC INDEX**

2 **FLOOR.**

3 Section 1848(e)(1)(E) of the Social Security Act (42
4 U.S.C. 1395w-4(e)(1)(E)) is amended by striking “Octo-
5 ber 1, 2025” and inserting “November 22, 2025”.

6 **SEC. 207. EXTENSION OF CERTAIN TELEHEALTH FLEXIBILI-**

7 **TIES.**

8 (a) REMOVING GEOGRAPHIC REQUIREMENTS AND
9 EXPANDING ORIGINATING SITES FOR TELEHEALTH
10 SERVICES.—Section 1834(m) of the Social Security Act
11 (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)) is amended—

12 (1) in paragraph (2)(B)(iii), by striking “end-
13 ing September 30, 2025” and inserting “ending No-
14 vember 21, 2025”; and

15 (2) in paragraph (4)(C)(iii), by striking “ending
16 on September 30, 2025” and inserting “ending on
17 November 21, 2025”.

18 (b) EXPANDING PRACTITIONERS ELIGIBLE TO FUR-
19 NISH TELEHEALTH SERVICES.—Section 1834(m)(4)(E)
20 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)(4)(E))
21 is amended by striking “ending on September 30, 2025”
22 and inserting “ending on November 21, 2025”.

23 (c) EXTENDING TELEHEALTH SERVICES FOR FED-
24 ERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS AND RURAL
25 HEALTH CLINICS.—Section 1834(m)(8)(A) of the Social
26 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)(8)(A)) is amended by

1 striking “ending on September 30, 2025” and inserting
2 “ending on November 21, 2025”.

3 (d) DELAYING THE IN-PERSON REQUIREMENTS
4 UNDER MEDICARE FOR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
5 FURNISHED THROUGH TELEHEALTH AND TELE-
6 COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY.—

7 (1) DELAY IN REQUIREMENTS FOR MENTAL
8 HEALTH SERVICES FURNISHED THROUGH TELE-
9 HEALTH.—Section 1834(m)(7)(B)(i) of the Social
10 Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)(7)(B)(i)) is
11 amended, in the matter preceding subclause (I), by
12 striking “on or after October 1, 2025” and inserting
13 “on or after November 22, 2025”.

14 (2) MENTAL HEALTH VISITS FURNISHED BY
15 RURAL HEALTH CLINICS.—Section 1834(y)(2) of the
16 Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(y)(2)) is
17 amended by striking “October 1, 2025” and insert-
18 ing “November 22, 2025”.

19 (3) MENTAL HEALTH VISITS FURNISHED BY
20 FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS.—Section
21 1834(o)(4)(B) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
22 1395m(o)(4)(B)) is amended by striking “October 1,
23 2025” and inserting “November 22, 2025”.

24 (e) ALLOWING FOR THE FURNISHING OF AUDIO-
25 ONLY TELEHEALTH SERVICES.—Section 1834(m)(9) of

1 the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395m(m)(9)) is
 2 amended by striking “ending on September 30, 2025” and
 3 inserting “ending on November 21, 2025”.

4 (f) EXTENDING USE OF TELEHEALTH TO CONDUCT
 5 FACE-TO-FACE ENCOUNTER PRIOR TO RECERTIFICATION
 6 OF ELIGIBILITY FOR HOSPICE CARE.—Section
 7 1814(a)(7)(D)(i)(II) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 8 1395f(a)(7)(D)(i)(II)) is amended by striking “ending on
 9 September 30, 2025” and inserting “ending on November
 10 21, 2025”.

11 (g) PROGRAM INSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.—The Sec-
 12 retary of Health and Human Services may implement the
 13 amendments made by this section through program in-
 14 struction or otherwise.

15 **SEC. 208. EXTENDING ACUTE HOSPITAL CARE AT HOME**
 16 **WAIVER AUTHORITIES.**

17 Section 1866G(a)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
 18 U.S.C. 1395cc–7(a)(1)) is amended by striking “Sep-
 19 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

20 **SEC. 209. EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY INCLUSION OF AU-**
 21 **THORIZED ORAL ANTIVIRAL DRUGS AS COV-**
 22 **ERED PART D DRUGS.**

23 Section 1860D–2(e)(1)(C) of the Social Security Act
 24 (42 U.S.C. 1395w–102(e)(1)(C)) is amended by striking

1 “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
2 2025”.

3 **SEC. 210. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR MEDICARE HOS-**
4 **PICE SURVEYS.**

5 Section 3(a)(2) of the IMPACT Act of 2014 (Public
6 Law 113–185) is amended—

7 (1) in subparagraph (A), by striking “and” at
8 the end;

9 (2) in subparagraph (B), by striking the period
10 at the end and inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following new sub-
12 paragraph:

13 “(C) \$6,000,000 for the period beginning
14 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
15 21, 2025.”.

16 **SEC. 211. MEDICARE IMPROVEMENT FUND.**

17 Section 1898(b)(1) of the Social Security Act (42
18 U.S.C. 1395iii(b)(1)) is amended—

19 (1) by striking “fiscal year 2026” and inserting
20 “fiscal year 2027”; and

21 (2) by striking “\$1,804,000,000” and inserting
22 “\$664,000,000”.

1 **TITLE III—HUMAN SERVICES**

2 **SEC. 301. SEXUAL RISK AVOIDANCE EDUCATION EXTEN-**
3 **SION.**

4 Section 510 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
5 710) is amended—

6 (1) in subsection (a)—

7 (A) in paragraph (1)—

8 (i) by striking “2023, for the period
9 beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending
10 on November 17, 2023, for the period be-
11 ginning on November 18, 2023, and end-
12 ing on January 19, 2024, for the period
13 beginning on January 20, 2024, and end-
14 ing on March 8, 2024, for the period be-
15 ginning on March 9, 2024, and ending on
16 September 30, 2024, and for fiscal year
17 2025” and inserting “2025, and for the
18 period beginning on October 1, 2025, and
19 ending on November 21, 2025”; and

20 (ii) by striking “fiscal year 2024” and
21 inserting “fiscal year 2026”; and

22 (B) in paragraph (2)—

23 (i) in subparagraph (A)—

24 (I) by striking “through 2023”
25 and inserting “through 2025”;

1 (II) by striking “fiscal year 2024
2 or 2025” and inserting “fiscal year
3 2026”; and

4 (III) by inserting “(or, with re-
5 spect to the applicable period, for fis-
6 cal year 2026)” after “an application
7 for the fiscal year”; and

8 (ii) in subparagraph (B)(i), by strik-
9 ing “2024 or 2025” and inserting “2026”;
10 and

11 (2) in subsection (f)(1) by striking “2023, for
12 the period beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending
13 on November 17, 2023, an amount equal to the pro
14 rata portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
15 responding period for fiscal year 2023, for the pe-
16 riod beginning on November 18, 2023, and ending
17 on January 19, 2024, an amount equal to the pro
18 rata portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
19 responding period for fiscal year 2023, for the pe-
20 riod beginning on January 20, 2024, and ending on
21 March 8, 2024, an amount equal to the pro rata
22 portion of the amount appropriated for the period at
23 the end of the corresponding sentence for fiscal year
24 2023, for the period beginning on March 9, 2024,
25 and ending on September 30, 2024, an amount

1 equal to the pro rata portion of the amount appro-
2 priated for the corresponding period for fiscal year
3 2023, and for fiscal year 2025, an amount equal to
4 the amount appropriated for fiscal year 2024” and
5 inserting “2025, and for the period beginning on Oc-
6 tober 1, 2025, and ending on November 21, 2025,
7 an amount equal to the pro rata portion of the
8 amount appropriated for the corresponding period
9 for fiscal year 2025”.

10 **SEC. 302. PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY EDUCATION EXTEN-**
11 **SION.**

12 Section 513 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
13 713) is amended—

14 (1) in subsection (a)(1)—

15 (A) in subparagraph (A), in the matter
16 preceding clause (i), by striking “2023, for the
17 period beginning on October 1, 2023, and end-
18 ing on November 17, 2023, for the period be-
19 ginning on November 18, 2023, and ending on
20 January 19, 2024, for the period beginning on
21 January 20, 2024, and ending on March 8,
22 2024, for the period beginning on March 9,
23 2024, and ending on September 30, 2024, and
24 for fiscal year 2025” and inserting “2025, and

1 for the period beginning on October 1, 2025,
2 and ending on November 21, 2025”; and

3 (B) in subparagraph (B)(i), by striking
4 “the period beginning on October 1, 2023, and
5 ending on November 17, 2023, for the period
6 beginning on November 18, 2023, and ending
7 on January 19, 2024, for the period beginning
8 on January 20, 2024, and ending on March 8,
9 2024, for the period beginning on March 9,
10 2024, and ending on September 30, 2024, and
11 for fiscal year 2025” and inserting “fiscal years
12 2024 and 2025, and for the period beginning
13 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November
14 21, 2025”;

15 (2) in subsection (c)(3), by striking “2024 or
16 2025” and inserting “2026”; and

17 (3) in subsection (f), by striking “2023, for the
18 period beginning on October 1, 2023, and ending on
19 November 17, 2023, an amount equal to the pro
20 rata portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
21 responding period for fiscal year 2023, for the pe-
22 riod beginning on November 18, 2023, and ending
23 on January 19, 2024, an amount equal to the pro
24 rata portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
25 responding period for fiscal year 2023, for the pe-

1 riod beginning on January 20, 2024, and ending on
 2 March 8, 2024, an amount equal to the pro rata
 3 portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
 4 responding period for fiscal year 2023, for the pe-
 5 riod beginning on March 9, 2024, and ending on
 6 September 30, 2024, an amount equal to the pro
 7 rata portion of the amount appropriated for the cor-
 8 responding period for fiscal year 2023, and for fiscal
 9 year 2025, an amount equal to the amount appro-
 10 priated for fiscal year 2024 for fiscal year 2024”
 11 and inserting “2025, and for the period beginning
 12 on October 1, 2025, and ending on November 21,
 13 2025, an amount equal to the pro rata portion of
 14 the amount appropriated for the corresponding pe-
 15 riod for fiscal year 2025”.

16 **SEC. 303. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR FAMILY-TO-FAMILY**
 17 **HEALTH INFORMATION CENTERS.**

18 Section 501(c)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (42
 19 U.S.C. 701(c)(1)(A)) is amended—

- 20 (1) in clause (vii), by striking “and” at the end;
- 21 (2) in clause (viii), by adding “; and” at the
- 22 end; and
- 23 (3) by adding at the end the following new
- 24 clause:

1 “(ix) \$854,795 for the portion of fiscal year
 2 2026 beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on
 3 November 21, 2025.”.

4 **TITLE IV—MEDICAID**

5 **SEC. 401. MODIFYING CERTAIN DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE** 6 **HOSPITAL ALLOTMENTS.**

7 (a) EXTENDING TENNESSEE DSH ALLOTMENTS.—
 8 Section 1923(f)(6)(A)(vi) of the Social Security Act (42
 9 U.S.C. 1396r-4(f)(6)(A)(vi)) is amended—

10 (1) in the heading, by inserting “AND A POR-
 11 TION OF FISCAL YEAR 2026” after “2025”; and

12 (2) by inserting “, and the DSH allotment for
 13 Tennessee for the portion of fiscal year 2026 begin-
 14 ning October 1, 2025, and ending November 21,
 15 2025, shall be \$7,564,932” before the period.

16 (b) DELAYING DSH ALLOTMENT REDUCTIONS.—
 17 Section 1923(f) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
 18 1396r-4(f)) is amended—

19 (1) in paragraph (7)(A)—

20 (A) in clause (i)—

21 (i) in the matter preceding subclause
 22 (I), by striking “For each of fiscal years
 23 2026 through 2028” and inserting “For
 24 the period beginning November 22, 2025,

1 and ending September 30, 2026, and for
2 each of fiscal years 2027 and 2028”;

3 (ii) in subclause (I), by inserting “or
4 period” after “the fiscal year”; and

5 (iii) in subclause (II), by inserting “or
6 period” after “in the fiscal year”; and

7 (B) in clause (ii), by striking “for each of
8 fiscal years 2026 through 2028” and inserting
9 “for the period beginning November 22, 2025,
10 and ending September 30, 2026, and for each
11 of fiscal years 2027 and 2028”; and

12 (2) in paragraph (8), by striking “2027” and
13 inserting “2028”.

14 **TITLE V—FOOD AND DRUG**
15 **ADMINISTRATION**

16 **SEC. 501. SHORT TITLE.**

17 This title may be cited as the “Over-the-Counter
18 Monograph Drug User Fee Amendments”.

19 **SEC. 502. FINDING.**

20 Congress finds that the fees authorized by the
21 amendments made in this title will be dedicated to over-
22 the-counter (OTC) monograph drug activities, as set forth
23 in the goals identified for purposes of part 10 of sub-
24 chapter C of chapter VII of the Federal Food, Drug, and
25 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–71 et seq.), in the letters

1 from the Secretary of Health and Human Services to the
2 Chairman of the Committee on Energy and Commerce of
3 the House of Representatives and the Chairman of the
4 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of
5 the Senate, as set forth in the Congressional Record.

6 **SEC. 503. DEFINITIONS.**

7 Section 744L(9)(A) of the Federal Food, Drug, and
8 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–71(9)(A)) is amended—

9 (1) in clause (v), by striking “; or” and insert-
10 ing a semicolon;

11 (2) in clause (vi)—

12 (A) by striking “addition” and inserting
13 “the addition”; and

14 (B) by striking the period and inserting “;
15 or”; and

16 (3) by adding at the end the following:

17 “(vii) the addition or modification of a
18 testing procedure applicable to one or more
19 OTC monograph drugs, provided that such ad-
20 ditional or modified testing procedure reflects a
21 voluntary consensus standard with respect to
22 pharmaceutical quality that is—

23 “(I) established by a national or inter-
24 national standards development organiza-
25 tion; and

1 “(II) recognized by the Secretary
 2 through a process described in guidance
 3 for industry, initially published in July
 4 2023, or any successor guidance, publicly
 5 available on the website of the Food and
 6 Drug Administration, which addresses vol-
 7 untary consensus standards for pharma-
 8 ceutical quality.”.

9 **SEC. 504. AUTHORITY TO ASSESS AND USE OTC MONO-**
 10 **GRAPH FEES.**

11 (a) TYPES OF FEES.—Section 744M(a)(1) of the
 12 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–
 13 72(a)(1)) is amended—

14 (1) in subparagraph (A)—

15 (A) by striking “on December 31 of the
 16 fiscal year or at any time during the preceding
 17 12-month period” and inserting “at any time
 18 during the applicable period specified in clause
 19 (ii) for a fiscal year”;

20 (B) by striking “Each person” and insert-
 21 ing the following:

22 “(i) ASSESSMENT OF FEES.—Each
 23 person”; and

24 (C) by adding at the end the following:

1 “(ii) APPLICABLE PERIOD.—For pur-
2 poses of clause (i), the applicable period
3 is—

4 “(I) for fiscal year 2026, the 12-
5 month period ending on December 31,
6 2025;

7 “(II) for fiscal year 2027, the 9-
8 month period ending on September
9 30, 2026; and

10 “(III) for fiscal year 2028 and
11 each subsequent fiscal year, the 12-
12 month period ending on September 30
13 of the preceding fiscal year.”;

14 (2) in subparagraph (B)(i), by amending sub-
15 clause (I) to read as follows:

16 “(I) has ceased all activities re-
17 lated to OTC monograph drugs prior
18 to—

19 “(aa) for purposes of fiscal
20 year 2026, January 1, 2025;

21 “(bb) for purposes of fiscal
22 year 2027, January 1, 2026; and

23 “(cc) for purposes of fiscal
24 year 2028 and each subsequent

1 fiscal year, October 1 of the pre-
2 ceding fiscal year; and”;

3 (3) by amending subparagraph (D) to read as
4 follows:

5 “(D) DUE DATE.—

6 “(i) FISCAL YEAR 2026.—For fiscal
7 year 2026, the facility fees required under
8 subparagraph (A) shall be due on the later
9 of—

10 “(I) the first business day of
11 June of such year; or

12 “(II) the first business day after
13 the enactment of an appropriations
14 Act providing for the collection and
15 obligation of fees under this section
16 for such year.

17 “(ii) FISCAL YEAR 2027.—For fiscal
18 year 2027, the facility fees required under
19 subparagraph (A) shall be due—

20 “(I) in a first installment rep-
21 resenting 50 percent of such fee, on
22 the later of—

23 “(aa) October 1, 2026; or

24 “(bb) the first business day
25 after the enactment of an appro-

1 appropriations Act providing for the
2 collection and obligation of fees
3 under this section for such year;
4 and

5 “(II) in a second installment rep-
6 resenting the remaining 50 percent of
7 such fee, on—

8 “(aa) February 1, 2027; or

9 “(bb) if an appropriations
10 Act described in subclause
11 (I)(bb) is not in effect on Feb-
12 ruary 1, 2027, the first business
13 day after enactment of such an
14 appropriations Act.

15 “(iii) SUBSEQUENT FISCAL YEARS.—
16 For fiscal year 2028 and each subsequent
17 fiscal year, the facility fees required under
18 subparagraph (A) shall be due on the later
19 of—

20 “(I) the first business day on or
21 after October 1 of the fiscal year; or

22 “(II) the first business day after
23 the date of enactment of an appro-
24 priations Act providing for the collec-

1 tion and obligation of fees under this
2 section for the fiscal year.”.

3 (b) FEE REVENUE AMOUNTS.—Section 744M(b) of
4 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
5 379j–72(b)) is amended to read as follows:

6 “(b) FEE REVENUE AMOUNTS.—

7 “(1) IN GENERAL.—For each of the fiscal years
8 2026 through 2030, fees under subsection (a)(1)
9 shall be established to generate a total facility fee
10 revenue amount equal to the sum of—

11 “(A) the annual base revenue for the fiscal
12 year (as determined under paragraph (2));

13 “(B) the dollar amount equal to the infla-
14 tion adjustment for the fiscal year (as deter-
15 mined under subsection (c)(1));

16 “(C) the dollar amount equal to the oper-
17 ating reserve adjustment for the fiscal year, if
18 applicable (as determined under subsection
19 (c)(2));

20 “(D) additional direct cost adjustments (as
21 determined under subsection (c)(3));

22 “(E) an additional dollar amount equal
23 to—

24 “(i) \$2,373,000 for fiscal year 2026;

1 “(ii) \$1,233,000 for fiscal year 2027;

2 and

3 “(iii) \$854,000 for fiscal year 2028;

4 and

5 “(F) in the case of a fiscal year for which
6 the Secretary applies the one-time facility fee
7 workload adjustment under subsection (c)(4),
8 the dollar amount equal to such adjustment.

9 “(2) ANNUAL BASE REVENUE.—For purposes
10 of paragraph (1), the dollar amount of the annual
11 base revenue for a fiscal year shall be—

12 “(A) for fiscal year 2026, the dollar
13 amount of the total revenue amount established
14 for fiscal year 2025 under this subsection as in
15 effect on the day before the date of enactment
16 of the Over-the-Counter Monograph Drug User
17 Fee Amendments, not including any adjust-
18 ments made for such fiscal year 2025 under
19 subsection (c)(2), as so in effect; and

20 “(B) for fiscal years 2027 through 2030,
21 the dollar amount of the total revenue amount
22 established under this subsection for the pre-
23 vious fiscal year, not including any adjustments
24 made for such previous fiscal year under sub-
25 section (c)(2) or (c)(3).”.

1 (c) ADJUSTMENTS; ANNUAL FEE SETTING.—Section
2 744M(c) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act
3 (21 U.S.C. 379j–72(c)) is amended—

4 (1) in paragraph (1)—

5 (A) in subparagraph (A), in the matter
6 preceding clause (i)—

7 (i) by striking “subsection (b)(2)(B)”

8 and inserting “subsection (b)(1)(B)”; and

9 (ii) by striking “fiscal year 2022 and
10 each subsequent fiscal year” and inserting
11 “each fiscal year”;

12 (B) in subparagraph (B), by striking “fis-
13 cal year 2022” and all that follows through the
14 period at the end and inserting the following:

15 “a fiscal year shall be equal to the product of—

16 “(i) for fiscal year 2026—

17 “(I) the fee for fiscal year 2025

18 under subsection (a)(2); and

19 “(II) the inflation adjustment

20 percentage under subparagraph (C);

21 and

22 “(ii) for each of fiscal years 2027

23 through 2030—

1 “(I) the applicable fee under sub-
 2 section (a)(2) for the preceding fiscal
 3 year; and

4 “(II) the inflation adjustment
 5 percentage under subparagraph (C).”;
 6 and

7 (C) in subparagraph (C)—

8 (i) in the matter preceding clause (i),
 9 by inserting “the sum of” after “is equal
 10 to”;

11 (ii) by striking clause (i);

12 (iii) by redesignating subclauses (I)
 13 and (II) of clause (ii) as clauses (i) and
 14 (ii), respectively, and adjusting the mar-
 15 gins accordingly;

16 (iv) by striking “(ii) for each of fiscal
 17 years 2024 and 2025, the sum of—”; and

18 (v) in clause (ii), as so redesignated,
 19 by striking “Washington-Baltimore, DC-
 20 MD-VA-WV” and inserting “Washington-
 21 Arlington-Alexandria-DC-VA-MD-WV”;

22 (2) in paragraph (2)—

23 (A) in subparagraph (A)—

1 (i) by striking “fiscal year 2021 and
2 subsequent fiscal years” and inserting
3 “each fiscal year”;

4 (ii) by striking “subsections (b)(1)(B)
5 and (b)(2)(C)” and inserting “subsection
6 (b)(1)(C)”; and

7 (iii) by striking “the number of weeks
8 specified in subparagraph (B)” and insert-
9 ing “10 weeks”;

10 (B) by striking subparagraph (B);

11 (C) by redesignating subparagraphs (C)
12 and (D) as subparagraphs (B) and (C), respec-
13 tively; and

14 (D) in subparagraph (C), as so redesign-
15 ated, by striking “paragraph (4) establishing”
16 and inserting “paragraph (5) publishing”;

17 (3) in paragraph (3)—

18 (A) in the matter preceding subparagraph
19 (A), by striking “subsection (b)(2)(D)” and in-
20 serting “subsection (b)(1)(D)”; and

21 (B) by striking subparagraphs (A) through
22 (E) and inserting the following:

23 “(A) \$135,000 for fiscal year 2026;

24 “(B) \$300,000 for fiscal year 2027;

25 “(C) \$55,000 for fiscal year 2028;

1 “(D) \$30,000 for fiscal year 2029; and

2 “(E) \$0 for fiscal year 2030.”; and

3 (4) by striking paragraph (4) and inserting the
4 following:

5 “(4) ONE-TIME FACILITY FEE WORKLOAD AD-
6 JUSTMENT.—

7 “(A) IN GENERAL.—In addition to the ad-
8 justments under paragraphs (1), (2), and (3),
9 the Secretary may further increase the fee reve-
10 nues and fees through a one-time adjustment
11 made for fiscal year 2028, 2029, or 2030, in
12 accordance with this paragraph.

13 “(B) ADJUSTMENT DESCRIBED.—

14 “(i) CONDITIONS FOR ADJUST-
15 MENT.—An adjustment under this para-
16 graph may be made for a fiscal year only
17 if—

18 “(I) an adjustment under this
19 paragraph had not been made for any
20 prior fiscal year;

21 “(II) the average number of OTC
22 monograph drug facilities subject to a
23 facility fee under subsection (a)(1)
24 over the period of the preceding 3 fis-
25 cal years exceeds 1,625; and

1 “(III) with respect to facilities
2 described in subclause (II), the aver-
3 age number of such facilities (ex-
4 pressed as a percentage) that ap-
5 peared on the arrears lists pursuant
6 to subsection (e)(1)(A)(i) over the pe-
7 riod of the preceding 3 fiscal years is
8 less than 30 percent.

9 “(ii) AMOUNT OF ADJUSTMENT.—An
10 adjustment under this paragraph for a fis-
11 cal year shall equal the product of—

12 “(I) the total facility revenue
13 amount determined under subsection
14 (b) for the fiscal year, exclusive of the
15 adjustment under this paragraph for
16 such fiscal year; and

17 “(II) the excess facility percent-
18 age described in clause (iii).

19 “(iii) EXCESS FACILITY PERCENT-
20 AGE.—The excess facility percentage de-
21 scribed in this clause is—

22 “(I) the amount by which the av-
23 erage number of OTC monograph
24 drug facilities subject to a facility fee
25 under subsection (a)(1) over the pre-

1 ceding 3 fiscal years exceeds 1,625;
2 divided by

3 “(II) 1,625.

4 “(5) ANNUAL FEE SETTING.—The Secretary
5 shall, not later than 60 days before the first day of
6 each fiscal year—

7 “(A) establish for such fiscal year, based
8 on the revenue amounts under subsection (b)
9 and the adjustments provided under this sub-
10 section—

11 “(i) OTC monograph drug facility fees
12 under subsection (a)(1); and

13 “(ii) OTC monograph order request
14 fees under subsection (a)(2); and

15 “(B) publish such fee revenue amounts, fa-
16 cility fees, and OTC monograph order request
17 fees in the Federal Register.”.

18 (d) CREDITING AND AVAILABILITY OF FEES.—Sec-
19 tion 744M(f) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
20 Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–72(f)) is amended—

21 (1) in paragraph (2)(D)—

22 (A) in the subparagraph heading, by strik-
23 ing “IN SUBSEQUENT YEARS”; and

24 (B) by striking “(after fiscal year 2021)”;
25 and

1 (2) in paragraph (3), by striking “2021
2 through 2025” and inserting “2026 through 2030”.

3 **SEC. 505. REAUTHORIZATION; REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.**

4 (a) PERFORMANCE REPORT.—Section 744N of the
5 Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–
6 73) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)—

8 (A) by striking “Beginning with fiscal year
9 2021, and not later than 120 calendar days
10 after the end of each fiscal year thereafter” and
11 inserting the following:

12 “(1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 120 cal-
13 endar days after the end of each fiscal year”;

14 (B) by striking “section 3861(b) of the
15 CARES Act” and inserting “section 2 of the
16 Over-the-Counter Monograph Drug User Fee
17 Amendments”; and

18 (C) by adding at the end the following:

19 “(2) ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.—Beginning
20 with fiscal year 2026, the annual report under this
21 subsection shall include—

22 “(A) the progress of the Food and Drug
23 Administration in achieving the goals, and fu-
24 ture plans for meeting the goals, including—

1 “(i) the number of Tier 1 OTC mono-
2 graph order requests for which a proposed
3 order was issued, and the number of such
4 requests for which a final order was issued,
5 in the previous fiscal year;

6 “(ii) the number of Tier 2 OTC
7 monograph order requests for which a pro-
8 posed order was issued, and the number of
9 such requests for which a final order was
10 issued, in the previous fiscal year;

11 “(iii) the number of specified safety
12 OTC monograph order requests for which
13 a proposed order was issued, and the num-
14 ber of such requests for which a final order
15 was issued, in the previous fiscal year;

16 “(iv) the number of generally recog-
17 nized as safe and effective finalization
18 OTC monograph order requests for which
19 a proposed order was issued, and the num-
20 ber of such requests for which a final order
21 was issued, in the previous fiscal year;

22 “(v) the average timeline for proc-
23 essing OTC monograph order requests, in
24 the aggregate and by submission type, in
25 the previous fiscal year; and

1 “(vi) postmarket safety activities with
2 respect to OTC monograph drugs, includ-
3 ing—

4 “(I) collecting, developing, and
5 reviewing safety information on OTC
6 monograph drugs, including adverse
7 event reports;

8 “(II) developing and using im-
9 proved analytical tools, adverse event
10 data-collection systems, including in-
11 formation technology systems, to as-
12 sess potential safety problems, includ-
13 ing access to external databases; and

14 “(III) activities under section
15 760;

16 “(B) information regarding registration of
17 OTC monograph drug facilities and contract
18 manufacturing organization facilities and pay-
19 ment of registration fees by such facilities, in-
20 cluding—

21 “(i) the OTC monograph drug facili-
22 ties and contract manufacturing organiza-
23 tion facilities that were first registered
24 under section 510(c) or 510(i) in the fiscal
25 year; and

1 “(ii) for each OTC monograph drug
2 facility and contract manufacturing organi-
3 zation facility that was assessed a facility
4 fee under section 744M(a) in the fiscal
5 year, whether the facility paid such fee;

6 “(C) the status of implementation of evi-
7 dence and testing standards under section
8 505G(r) for nonprescription drugs intended for
9 topical administration, including—

10 “(i) the application of evidence or
11 testing standards; and

12 “(ii) the number of active ingredient
13 requests for nonprescription drugs in-
14 tended for topical administration reviewed
15 using the standards under section
16 505G(b); and

17 “(D) the progress of the Food and Drug
18 Administration in allowing nonclinical testing
19 alternatives to animal testing for the consider-
20 ation of sunscreen active ingredients.

21 “(3) CONFIDENTIALITY.—Nothing in para-
22 graph (2) shall be construed to authorize the disclo-
23 sure of information that is prohibited from disclo-
24 sure under section 301(j) of this Act or section 1905
25 of title 18, United States Code, or that is subject to

1 withholding under section 552(b)(4) of title 5,
2 United States Code.”;

3 (2) in subsection (b), by striking “fiscal year
4 2021 and each subsequent fiscal year” and inserting
5 “each fiscal year”; and

6 (3) in subsection (d)—

7 (A) by striking “2025” each place it ap-
8 pears and inserting “2030”; and

9 (B) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(4) MINUTES OF NEGOTIATION MEETINGS.—

11 “(A) PUBLIC AVAILABILITY.—The Sec-
12 retary shall make publicly available, on the pub-
13 lic website of the Food and Drug Administra-
14 tion, robust written minutes of all negotiation
15 meetings conducted under this subsection be-
16 tween the Food and Drug Administration and
17 the regulated industry, not later than 30 days
18 after each such negotiation meeting.

19 “(B) CONTENT.—The robust written min-
20 utes described under subparagraph (A) shall
21 contain, in detail, any substantive proposal
22 made by any party to the negotiations as well
23 as significant controversies or differences of
24 opinion during the negotiations and their reso-
25 lution.”.

1 (b) GAO REPORT.—

2 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than September
3 30, 2027, the Comptroller General of the United
4 States shall submit to the Committee on Health,
5 Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate and
6 the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the
7 House of Representatives a report assessing the sup-
8 ply chain of over-the-counter monograph drugs.

9 (2) CONTENTS.—The report required under
10 paragraph (1) shall include an assessment of—

11 (A) the overall stability of the supply chain
12 of over-the-counter monograph drugs;

13 (B) what information is collected by the
14 Food and Drug Administration with respect to
15 the supply chain of over-the-counter monograph
16 drugs;

17 (C) how the Food and Drug Administra-
18 tion uses information collected on the supply
19 chain of over-the-counter monograph drugs to
20 inform regulatory decisions;

21 (D) how the Food and Drug Administra-
22 tion coordinates with other Federal agencies to
23 monitor and mitigate disruptions to the supply
24 chain of over-the-counter monograph drugs; and

1 (E) the unique characteristics of the over-
 2 the-counter monograph drug marketplace and
 3 what additional authorities or information the
 4 Food and Drug Administration may need to en-
 5 sure the stability of the supply chain of over-
 6 the-counter monograph drugs.

7 **SEC. 506. TREATMENT OF ACTIVE INGREDIENTS FOR TOP-**
 8 **ICAL ADMINISTRATION.**

9 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 505G of the Federal
 10 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355h) is
 11 amended by adding at the end the following:

12 “(r) EVIDENCE AND TESTING STANDARDS FOR AC-
 13 TIVE INGREDIENTS FOR TOPICAL ADMINISTRATION.—

14 “(1) EVIDENCE AND TESTING STANDARDS FOR
 15 ACTIVE INGREDIENTS FOR TOPICAL ADMINISTRA-
 16 TION.—The Secretary shall—

17 “(A) in evaluating the generally recognized
 18 as safe and effective status of active ingredients
 19 used in nonprescription drugs intended for top-
 20 ical administration for purposes of subsection
 21 (a), utilize standards that allow for the use of
 22 real world evidence (as defined in section
 23 505F(b)), as appropriate, as part of a com-
 24 prehensive evaluation of scientific evidence to
 25 demonstrate the safety and effectiveness of such

1 active ingredients, to supplement evidence from
2 traditional clinical trials, provided that such
3 standards allow the Secretary to evaluate
4 whether the benefits of such active ingredients
5 outweigh the risks; and

6 “(B) apply subsection (b)(6)(C) to the reg-
7 ulation of active ingredients used in drugs in-
8 tended for topical administration.

9 “(2) NON-ANIMAL TESTING METHODS FOR TOP-
10 ICAL ACTIVE INGREDIENTS.—

11 “(A) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall
12 consider the types of nonclinical tests described
13 in paragraphs (1) through (4) of the first sub-
14 section (z) of section 505 (as inserted by sec-
15 tion 3209(a)(2) of the Health Extenders, Im-
16 proving Access to Medicare, Medicaid, and
17 CHIP, and Strengthening Public Health Act of
18 2022 (division FF of Public Law 117–328)), or
19 any other alternative to animal testing that the
20 Secretary determines appropriate, in the consid-
21 eration of drugs intended for topical adminis-
22 tration under this section.

23 “(B) GUIDANCE.—Not later than 1 year
24 after the date of enactment of this subsection,
25 the Secretary shall issue new draft guidance on

1 how sponsors can use nonclinical testing alter-
2 natives to animal testing, as appropriate, to
3 meet safety and efficacy standards under this
4 section for drugs intended for topical adminis-
5 tration.

6 “(3) CLARIFICATION.—Nothing in this sub-
7 section shall be construed to alter, supersede, or
8 limit the standards for making determinations of
9 whether a drug is generally recognized as safe and
10 effective under section 201(p) or the standards set
11 forth under section 505 for determining the safety
12 and effectiveness of drugs.”.

13 (b) SUNSCREEN FINAL ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER.—
14 A final administrative order on nonprescription sunscreen
15 active ingredients issued under section 3854 of the
16 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (Pub-
17 lic Law 116–136; 21 U.S.C. 360fff–3 note) shall—

18 (1) account for historical data regarding the
19 safety of sunscreen active ingredients that have pre-
20 viously been accepted for marketing in the United
21 States;

22 (2) account for the role of broad spectrum sun-
23 screens with a Sun Protection Factor of 15 or high-
24 er in effective skin cancer prevention; and

1 (3) incorporate the evidence and testing stand-
2 ards for sunscreen active ingredients detailed in sec-
3 tion 505G(r) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cos-
4 metic Act (21 U.S.C. 355h) (as added by subsection
5 (a)).

6 **SEC. 507. INCREASING THE CLARITY AND PREDICTABILITY**
7 **OF THE PROCESS FOR DEVELOPING APPLI-**
8 **CATIONS FOR RX-TO-NONPRESCRIPTION**
9 **SWITCHES.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 505(b) of the Federal
11 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355(b)) is
12 amended by adding at the end the following:

13 “(7) RX-TO-NONPRESCRIPTION SWITCHES.—

14 “(A) MEETINGS.—Any person planning to
15 submit an application for an Rx-to-nonprescrip-
16 tion switch may submit to the Secretary a writ-
17 ten request for a meeting, for purposes of devel-
18 oping a plan for such application that addresses
19 the potential risks to public health of such
20 switch and the evidence necessary to support
21 such application, including the design of any
22 necessary studies, and the format and content
23 of the planned application. The Secretary may
24 grant such a meeting, as appropriate, consistent
25 with established procedures for granting meet-

1 ings with, and providing written responses to,
2 applications under this section. Each such
3 meeting shall be documented in meeting min-
4 utes.

5 “(B) GUIDANCE.—

6 “(i) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18
7 months after the date of enactment of this
8 paragraph, the Secretary shall issue guid-
9 ance to increase the clarity and predict-
10 ability of the process and standards for ap-
11 proval of applications for nonprescription
12 drugs under this section, including in the
13 case of applications for an Rx-to-non-
14 prescription switch, especially with respect
15 to prescription drugs with well-established
16 safety profiles for which an applicant may
17 seek approval for nonprescription use.

18 “(ii) CONTENTS.—The guidance
19 under clause (i) shall—

20 “(I) describe how published re-
21 ports in medical literature, any pre-
22 vious finding of safety or effectiveness
23 for the drug under this section, the
24 results of significant human experi-
25 ence with the drug, unpublished stud-

1 ies and other data, and other sources
2 of information may be used to support
3 an application for a nonprescription
4 drug, including in the context of an
5 application for an Rx-to-nonprescrip-
6 tion switch;

7 “(II) set forth procedures for
8 sponsors to request meetings de-
9 scribed in subparagraph (A) and doc-
10 ument the recommendations made in
11 such meetings;

12 “(III) describe evidentiary expect-
13 ations to support approval of an ap-
14 plication for a nonprescription drug,
15 including in the context of an applica-
16 tion for an Rx-to-nonprescription
17 switch, including how sponsors can
18 demonstrate that consumers can ap-
19 propriately self-select and use the
20 drug and comprehend the non-
21 prescription drug label; and

22 “(IV) provide recommendations
23 for how mechanisms, in addition to
24 the required Drug Facts Label, such
25 as mobile applications and decisions

1 aids, can be incorporated into the in-
2 formation submitted in support of an
3 application for an Rx-to-nonprescrip-
4 tion switch.

5 “(C) PLAN TO ENGAGE WITH STAKE-
6 HOLDERS.—Not later than 1 year after the
7 date of enactment of this paragraph, the Sec-
8 retary shall develop and make publicly available
9 on the website of the Food and Drug Adminis-
10 tration a plan to engage stakeholders on steps
11 and factors for application holders and other
12 stakeholders to consider in identifying approved
13 prescription drugs that may be promising can-
14 didates for applications for an Rx-to-non-
15 prescription switch.

16 “(D) DEFINITION.—For purposes of this
17 paragraph, the term ‘Rx-to-nonprescription
18 switch’ means the approval of an application, or
19 supplemental application, as applicable, sub-
20 mitted under this section by the holder of an
21 approved application for a prescription drug
22 seeking approval to market such drug as a non-
23 prescription drug, including for—

1 “(i) a full Rx-to-nonprescription
2 switch, under which a drug previously ap-
3 proved for prescription use only is—

4 “(I) approved for nonprescription
5 use under the same conditions as ap-
6 plied to the drug when approved for
7 prescription use; or

8 “(II) approved for nonprescrip-
9 tion use subject to one or more addi-
10 tional conditions for nonprescription
11 use; and

12 “(ii) a partial Rx-to-nonprescription
13 switch, under which the drug is approved
14 for nonprescription use only under certain
15 conditions described in the approved label-
16 ing, while the drug otherwise remains ap-
17 proved for prescription use only.

18 “(E) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing
19 in this paragraph shall be construed to—

20 “(i) supersede or modify the authority
21 of the Secretary under section 505G with
22 respect to the regulation of OTC mono-
23 graph drugs; or

1 “(ii) authorize the disclosure by the
2 Secretary of confidential commercial infor-
3 mation or trade secrets.”.

4 (b) GAO REPORT.—

5 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 1 year after
6 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller
7 General of the United States shall submit to the
8 Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pen-
9 sions of the Senate and the Committee on Energy
10 and Commerce of the House of Representatives a re-
11 port that evaluates—

12 (A) the number of applications for an Rx-
13 to-nonprescription switch approved during the
14 period beginning on October 1, 2022, and end-
15 ing on the date of the report;

16 (B) the number of drugs for which an ap-
17 plication for an Rx-to-nonprescription switch
18 was approved during such period subject to an
19 additional condition for nonprescription use;

20 (C) among the drugs for which an applica-
21 tion for a full or partial Rx-to-nonprescription
22 switch was approved during such period, the av-
23 erage length of time from receipt by the Food
24 and Drug Administration of the application to
25 the approval of such application;

1 (D) the number of partial Rx-to-non-
2 prescription switch applications approved dur-
3 ing such period, and the number of applications
4 for such a partial switch not approved;

5 (E) any barriers to timely and predictable
6 review of applications for an Rx-to-nonprescrip-
7 tion switch;

8 (F) engagement by the Food and Drug
9 Administration with public stakeholders, includ-
10 ing public meetings or additional activities to
11 support review of applications for an Rx-to-non-
12 prescription switch; and

13 (G) opportunities for collaboration between
14 the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research
15 and the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Serv-
16 ices for the purpose of analyzing health insur-
17 ance claims data for commonly prescribed drugs
18 that appear to be suitable for an Rx-to-non-
19 prescription switch.

20 (2) DEFINITION.—In this subsection, the term
21 “Rx-to-nonprescription switch” has the meaning
22 given such term in paragraph (7) of section 505(b)
23 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21
24 U.S.C. 244(b)), as added by subsection (a).

1 **SEC. 508. REGULATION OF CERTAIN NONPRESCRIPTION**
2 **DRUGS THAT ARE MARKETED WITHOUT AN**
3 **APPROVED DRUG APPLICATION.**

4 (a) DEVELOPMENT ADVICE TO SPONSORS OR RE-
5 QUESTORS.—Section 505G(h) of the Federal Food, Drug,
6 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355h(h)) is amended by
7 striking “sponsors or requestors” and inserting “sponsors,
8 requestors, or organizations nominated by sponsors or re-
9 questors to represent their interests in a proceeding”.

10 (b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Section
11 505G(b)(2)(A)(iv)(III) of the Federal Food, Drug, and
12 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355h(b)(2)(A)(iv)(III)) is
13 amended by striking “requestors” and inserting “sponsors
14 or requestors”.

15 **SEC. 509. SUNSET DATES.**

16 (a) AUTHORIZATION.—Sections 744L and 744M of
17 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
18 379j–71; 379j–72) shall cease to be effective October 1,
19 2030.

20 (b) REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.—Section 744N of
21 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
22 379j–73) shall cease to be effective January 31, 2031.

23 **SEC. 510. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

24 The amendments made by this title shall take effect
25 on October 1, 2025, or the date of the enactment of this
26 Act, whichever is later, except that fees under part 10 of

1 subchapter C of chapter VII of the Federal Food, Drug,
2 and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–71 et seq.) shall be
3 assessed beginning October 1, 2025, regardless of the date
4 of the enactment of this Act.

5 **SEC. 511. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

6 Notwithstanding the amendments made by this title,
7 part 10 of subchapter C of chapter VII of the Federal
8 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 379j–71 et
9 seq.), as in effect on the day before the date of enactment
10 of this Act, shall continue to be in effect with respect to
11 assessing and collecting any fee required by such part for
12 a fiscal year prior to fiscal year 2026.

13 **TITLE VI—NO SURPRISES ACT**
14 **IMPLEMENTATION**

15 **SEC. 601. EXTENDING AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING FOR NO**
16 **SURPRISES ACT IMPLEMENTATION.**

17 Section 118(a) of division BB of the Consolidated
18 Appropriations Act, 2021 (Public Law 116–260) is
19 amended—

20 (1) by striking “otherwise appropriated, to the
21 Secretary of Health and Human Services” and in-
22 serting the following: “otherwise appropriated—
23 “(1) to the Secretary of Health and Human
24 Services”;

1 (2) in paragraph (1), as so inserted, by striking
2 “September 30, 2025.” and inserting “November
3 21, 2025; and”; and

4 (3) by adding at the end the following new
5 paragraph:

6 “(2) to the Secretary of Health and Human
7 Services, in addition to amounts otherwise appro-
8 priated under paragraph (1), \$15,000,000 for the
9 period beginning on October 1, 2025, and ending on
10 November 21, 2025.”.

11 **DIVISION D—DEPARTMENT OF**
12 **VETERANS AFFAIRS EXTENDERS**
13 **TITLE I—HEALTH CARE**
14 **MATTERS**

15 **SEC. 101. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR COLLECTION OF**
16 **COPAYMENTS FOR HOSPITAL CARE AND**
17 **NURSING HOME CARE.**

18 Section 1710(f)(2)(B) of title 38, United States
19 Code, is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and
20 inserting “November 21, 2025”.

1 **SEC. 102. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENT TO PROVIDE**
2 **NURSING HOME CARE TO CERTAIN VET-**
3 **ERANS WITH SERVICE-CONNECTED DISABIL-**
4 **ITIES.**

5 Section 1710A(d) of title 38, United States Code, is
6 amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
7 “November 21, 2025”.

8 **SEC. 103. EXTENSION OF STAFF SERGEANT PARKER GOR-**
9 **DON FOX SUICIDE PREVENTION GRANT PRO-**
10 **GRAM.**

11 Section 201(j) of the Commander John Scott
12 Hannon Veterans Mental Health Care Improvement Act
13 of 2019 (Public Law 116–171; 38 U.S.C. 1720F note)
14 is amended by striking “the date that is three years after
15 the date on which the first grant is awarded under this
16 section” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

17 **SEC. 104. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR EXPANSION OF**
18 **RURAL ACCESS NETWORK FOR GROWTH EN-**
19 **HANCEMENT PROGRAM.**

20 Section 2(d) of the Sgt. Ketchum Rural Veterans
21 Mental Health Act of 2021 (Public Law 117–21; 38
22 U.S.C. 1712A note) is amended by striking “2025” and
23 inserting “2026”.

TITLE II—BENEFITS

**SEC. 201. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENT FOR QUARTERLY
BRIEFINGS ON ADMINISTRATION OF AU-
THORITIES RELATING TO DETERMINATIONS
REGARDING PRESUMPTIONS OF SERVICE
CONNECTION BASED ON TOXIC EXPOSURE.**

Section 202(b)(2) of the Sergeant First Class Heath Robinson Honoring our Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics Act of 2022 (Public Law 117–168) is amended by striking “On a quarterly basis during the two-year period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act,” and inserting “On a quarterly basis during the period beginning on the date of the enactment of this Act and ending on December 31, 2026,”.

SEC. 202. EXTENSION OF REQUIREMENT RELATING TO RESTORATION OF ENTITLEMENT TO EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE IN CASES OF CLOSURE OR DISAPPROVAL OF EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS.

Section 3699(c)(2)(C) of title 38, United States Code, is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

1 **SEC. 203. EXTENSION OF TEMPORARY CLARIFICATION OF**
 2 **LICENSURE REQUIREMENTS FOR CON-**
 3 **TRACTOR MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS TO PER-**
 4 **FORM MEDICAL DISABILITY EXAMINATIONS**
 5 **FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**
 6 **FAIRS UNDER PILOT PROGRAM FOR USE OF**
 7 **CONTRACT PHYSICIANS FOR DISABILITY EX-**
 8 **AMINATIONS.**

9 Section 2002(a)(4) of the Johnny Isakson and David
 10 P. Roe, M.D. Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improve-
 11 ment Act of 2020 (Public Law 116–315; 38 U.S.C. 5101
 12 note) is amended by striking “five years” and inserting
 13 “six years”.

14 **SEC. 204. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO MAINTAIN RE-**
 15 **GIONAL OFFICE IN REPUBLIC OF PHIL-**
 16 **IPPINES.**

17 Section 315(b) of title 38, United States Code, is
 18 amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
 19 “November 21, 2025”.

20 **TITLE III—HOUSING**

21 **SEC. 301. EXTENSION OF AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIA-**
 22 **TIONS FOR HOMELESS WOMEN VETERANS**
 23 **AND HOMELESS VETERANS WITH CHILDREN**
 24 **REINTEGRATION GRANT PROGRAM.**

25 Section 2021A(f)(1) of title 38, United States Code,
 26 is amended by striking “2025” and inserting “2026”.

1 **SEC. 302. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR TREATMENT AND**
2 **REHABILITATION FOR SERIOUSLY MENTALLY**
3 **ILL AND HOMELESS VETERANS.**

4 (a) GENERAL TREATMENT.—Section 2031(b) of title
5 38, United States Code, is amended by striking “Sep-
6 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21, 2025”.

7 (b) ADDITIONAL SERVICES AT CERTAIN LOCA-
8 TIONS.—Section 2033(d) of title 38, United States Code,
9 is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and insert-
10 ing “November 21, 2025”.

11 **SEC. 303. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR FINANCIAL ASSIST-**
12 **ANCE FOR SUPPORTIVE SERVICES FOR VERY**
13 **LOW-INCOME VETERAN FAMILIES IN PERMA-**
14 **NENT HOUSING.**

15 Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of
16 Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2026 for “Medical Serv-
17 ices”, \$92,000,000 shall be available until November 21,
18 2025, to carry out subsections (a), (b), and (c) of section
19 2044 of title 38, United States Code.

20 **SEC. 304. EXTENSION OF FUNDING FOR GRANT PROGRAM**
21 **FOR HOMELESS VETERANS WITH SPECIAL**
22 **NEEDS.**

23 Of the amounts appropriated to the Department of
24 Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2026 for “Medical Serv-
25 ices”, \$833,333 shall be available until November 21,

1 2025, for the purposes of the program under section 2061
2 of title 38, United States Code.

3 **SEC. 305. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE ASSIST-**
4 **ANCE FOR SPECIALLY ADAPTED HOUSING**
5 **FOR DISABLED VETERANS RESIDING TEMPO-**
6 **RARILY IN HOUSING OWNED BY A FAMILY**
7 **MEMBER.**

8 Section 2102A(e) of title 38, United States Code, is
9 amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
10 “November 21, 2025”.

11 **SEC. 306. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR SPECIALLY**
12 **ADAPTED HOUSING ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY**
13 **GRANT PROGRAM.**

14 Section 2108(g) of title 38, United States Code, is
15 amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
16 “November 21, 2025”.

17 **SEC. 307. IMPROVEMENTS TO PARTIAL CLAIM PROGRAM**
18 **OF THE DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AF-**
19 **FAIRS.**

20 (a) CLARIFICATION OF RELATIONSHIP TO OTHER
21 POWERS OF SECRETARY.—Section 3720(h) of title 38,
22 United States Code, is amended by striking “of subsection
23 (a)” and all that follows through the period at the end
24 and inserting “of subsection (a) in conjunction with the
25 purchase of a loan under section 3732(a)(2) of this title

1 unless the Secretary determines the purchase would be
2 made consistent with section 3732(d) of this title.”.

3 (b) ADMINISTRATION OF PARTIAL CLAIM PRO-
4 GRAM.—Section 3737 of such title is amended—

5 (1) in subsection (b)(2), by striking “first lien
6 guaranteed loan for such property” and inserting
7 “amount of indebtedness under the guaranteed loan
8 that the Secretary does not purchase”; and

9 (2) in subsection (c)—

10 (A) in paragraph (2)(B)(ii), by striking
11 “120 days” and inserting “180 days”; and

12 (B) by amending paragraph (3) to read as
13 follows:

14 “(3) An amount paid to the holder of a loan as a
15 partial claim—

16 “(A) shall not alter the guaranty calculation
17 specified by section 3703 of this title;

18 “(B) shall be included, for the purpose of a liq-
19 uidation sale, in the same manner as any other ad-
20 vance allowed by the Secretary; and

21 “(C) shall not be claimed under the guaranty or
22 increase the Secretary’s cost of acquisition of the
23 property securing the defaulted loan.”.

1 (c) REQUIREMENTS OF LOAN HOLDER.—Section
 2 (d)(1) of such section is amending by inserting “and serv-
 3 icing the loan” after “documents”.

4 (d) DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE.—Subsection (e)
 5 of such section is amended—

6 (1) in paragraph (1)—

7 (A) in subparagraph (A), by striking “an
 8 individual who” and all that follows through the
 9 period at the end and inserting the following:
 10 “a borrower who defaults on a partial claim
 11 shall be liable to the Secretary for any loss suf-
 12 fered by the Secretary with respect to such de-
 13 fault, and such loss may be recovered in the
 14 same manner as any other debt due the United
 15 States. The Secretary shall not restore housing
 16 loan entitlement under section 3702(b) of this
 17 title until such loss is repaid in full.”; and

18 (B) by amending subparagraph (B) to read
 19 as follows:

20 “(B) The Secretary may charge administrative costs,
 21 fees, and interest, as appropriate, with respect to any de-
 22 fault under a partial claim in a manner similar to the in-
 23 terest and administrative costs charged under section
 24 5315 of this title.”; and

1 (2) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-
 2 lows:

3 “(2) Notwithstanding section 2410 of title 28, a non-
 4 judicial sale of real property to satisfy a loan guaranteed
 5 under this chapter shall discharge the property from a
 6 partial claim interest held by the Secretary, provided that
 7 the holder of the guaranteed loan conducts the non-judi-
 8 cial sale and distributes the sale proceeds, if any, in ac-
 9 cordance with the State or local law where such property
 10 is situated.”.

11 (e) GUIDANCE IN ADVANCE OF REGULATIONS.—Sub-
 12 section (h) of such section is amended to read as follows:

13 “(h) GUIDANCE IN ADVANCE OF REGULATIONS.—
 14 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary
 15 may, before prescribing regulations, issue administrative
 16 guidance with respect to the Partial Claim Program under
 17 this section and the loss mitigation options prescribed
 18 under section 3732(d) of this title, including any addi-
 19 tional terms, conditions, and requirements the Secretary
 20 determines necessary.”.

21 **SEC. 308. GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE RE-**
 22 **PORTS ON PARTIAL CLAIM PROGRAM OF THE**
 23 **DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS AND**
 24 **OTHER MATTERS.**

25 (a) ANNUAL REPORTS.—

1 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year
2 after the date of the enactment of this Act, and
3 every year thereafter until the Partial Claim Pro-
4 gram terminates, the Comptroller General of the
5 United States shall submit to the Committee on Vet-
6 erans' Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on
7 Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representatives a
8 report.

9 (2) ELEMENTS.—Each report required by para-
10 graph (1) shall include, for the period covered by the
11 report and disaggregated by quarter, the following:

12 (A) Key data on the performance of the
13 Partial Claim Program, including—

14 (i) the number of partial claims filed
15 and approved; and

16 (ii) the redefault and foreclosure rates
17 of loans for which a partial claim was
18 made.

19 (B) A comparison of the data described in
20 subparagraph (A) with data on the performance
21 of other loss mitigation options provided by the
22 Department of Veterans Affairs.

23 (C) The number of housing loans insured,
24 guaranteed, or made by the Secretary of Vet-

1 erans Affairs under chapter 37 of title 38,
2 United States Code.

3 (D) The number of applications for hous-
4 ing loan benefits under such chapter denied.

5 (E) The number of housing loans insured,
6 guaranteed, or made by the Secretary under
7 such chapter refinanced under section
8 3710(a)(8) or 3712 of title 38, United States
9 Code.

10 (F) The number of veterans who owe a
11 payment on a mortgage associated with a loan
12 insured, guaranteed, or made by the Secretary
13 under such chapter that is at least—

14 (i) 60 days late; and

15 (ii) 90 days late.

16 (b) ASSESSMENT.—

17 (1) IN GENERAL.—Not later than one year be-
18 fore the Partial Claim Program terminates, the
19 Comptroller General shall—

20 (A) conduct an assessment of the benefits
21 and challenges of the Partial Claim Program;
22 and

23 (B) submit to the Committee on Veterans'
24 Affairs of the Senate and the Committee on
25 Veterans' Affairs of the House of Representa-

1 tives a report on the findings of the Comptroller
2 General with respect to that assessment.

3 (2) CONSIDERATIONS.—In conducting the as-
4 sessment required by paragraph (1), the Comptroller
5 General shall consider the following:

6 (A) The characteristics of borrowers for
7 whom a partial claim was made compared to
8 the characteristics of borrowers provided other
9 loss mitigation options by the Department of
10 Veterans Affairs.

11 (B) The performance of loans guaranteed
12 under chapter 37 of title 38, United States
13 Code, following various loss mitigation actions.

14 (C) The information the Department con-
15 sidered in determining whether a borrower
16 would benefit from a partial claim compared to
17 other loss mitigation options.

18 (D) The costs to taxpayers of the Partial
19 Claim Program compared to the costs of other
20 loss mitigation options provided by the Depart-
21 ment.

22 (E) Any similarities and differences in the
23 Department's administration and use of the
24 Partial Claim Program compared to the De-
25 partment's administration and use of the

1 COVID–19 Veterans Assistance Partial Claim
2 Payment program established under subpart F
3 of part 36 of title 38, Code of Regulations.

4 (F) The information the Department
5 learned from the COVID–19 Veterans Assist-
6 ance Partial Claim Payment program and the
7 extent to which those lessons learned were ap-
8 plied to the Partial Claim Program.

9 (G) The types of information the Depart-
10 ment collected to monitor the performance and
11 effectiveness of the Partial Claim Program and
12 how the Department used that information to
13 make any needed adjustments to the program.

14 (H) How the use by the Department of
15 partial claims compares to the use of partial
16 claims by other Federal housing agencies, in-
17 cluding, for each partial claim program—

18 (i) the volume of loans for which par-
19 tial claims have been made;

20 (ii) the results for borrowers (includ-
21 ing redefault and foreclosure rates); and

22 (iii) the costs to taxpayers.

23 (c) PARTIAL CLAIM PROGRAM DEFINED.—In this
24 section, the term “Partial Claim Program” means the
25 Partial Claim Program of the Department of Veterans Af-

1 fairs carried out under section 3737 of title 38, United
2 States Code.

3 **TITLE IV—OTHER MATTERS**

4 **SEC. 401. EXTENSION OF SUBPOENA AUTHORITY OF IN-** 5 **SPECTOR GENERAL OF DEPARTMENT OF** 6 **VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

7 Section 312(d)(7)(A) of title 38, United States Code,
8 is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and insert-
9 ing “November 21, 2025”.

10 **SEC. 402. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR SECRETARY OF** 11 **VETERANS AFFAIRS TO TRANSPORT INDIVID-** 12 **UALS TO AND FROM FACILITIES OF DEPART-** 13 **MENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.**

14 Section 111A(a)(2) of title 38, United States Code,
15 is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and insert-
16 ing “November 21, 2025”.

17 **SEC. 403. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY RELATING TO VEND-** 18 **EE LOAN PROGRAM.**

19 Section 3733(a)(8) of title 38, United States Code,
20 is amended—

21 (1) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A),
22 by striking “September 30, 2025” and inserting
23 “November 21, 2025”; and

1 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking “Sep-
2 tember 30, 2025” and inserting “November 21,
3 2025”.

4 **SEC. 404. EXTENSION OF AUTHORITY FOR TRANSFER OF**
5 **REAL PROPERTY.**

6 Section 8118(a)(5) of title 38, United States Code,
7 is amended by striking “September 30, 2025” and insert-
8 ing “November 21, 2025”.

9 **DIVISION E—MISCELLANEOUS**

10 **SEC. 101. BUDGETARY EFFECTS.**

11 (a) STATUTORY PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budg-
12 etary effects of divisions B through D shall not be entered
13 on either PAYGO scorecard maintained pursuant to sec-
14 tion 4(d) of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010.

15 (b) SENATE PAYGO SCORECARDS.—The budgetary
16 effects of divisions B through D shall not be entered on
17 any PAYGO scorecard maintained for purposes of section
18 4106 of H. Con. Res. 71 (115th Congress).

19 (c) CLASSIFICATION OF BUDGETARY EFFECTS.—
20 Notwithstanding Rule 3 of the Budget Scorekeeping
21 Guidelines set forth in the joint explanatory statement of
22 the committee of conference accompanying Conference Re-
23 port 105–217 and section 250(c)(8) of the Balanced
24 Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, the

1 budgetary effects of divisions B through D shall not be
2 estimated—

3 (1) for purposes of section 251 of such Act;

4 (2) for purposes of an allocation to the Com-
5 mittee on Appropriations pursuant to section 302(a)
6 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974; and

7 (3) for purposes of paragraph (4)(C) of section
8 3 of the Statutory Pay-As-You-Go Act of 2010 as
9 being included in an appropriation Act.

Passed the House of Representatives September 19,
2025.

Attest:

Clerk.

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